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Applicant: Wei-Yi LIN et al

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Title: METHOD FOR RELOCATING SPACERS USING INDUCTIVE FORCE

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Commissioner for Patents
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RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on December 13, 2005, Applicant respectfully requests that the above-identified application be reconsidered in view of the remarks which follow, that each of the pending claims be allowed, and that the application be passed to issue.

REMARKS

Present Status of Application

Claim 1, 2, 5-9 and 14-29 are pending in the application. Claims 1, 2, 5-6, 8-9, 14, 16, 21 and 23-29 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Toyoda et al (JP 2001-138482, hereinafter "Toyoda") in view of Barton et al (US 6,617,772, hereinafter "Barton"). Claim 7 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Toyoda in view of Barton and in further view of Sakaguchi (US 6,906,456, hereinafter "Sakaguchi"). Claims 15 and 17-20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Toyoda in view of Barton and in further view of Amrine (US 5,717,287, hereinafter "Amrine"). Claim 22 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Toyoda in view of Barton and in further view of Yakou (US 5,855,637, hereinafter "Yakou").

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